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DTSC and UCLA Present

Nanotechnology VI Symposium: 'Progress in Protection'

UCLA – Join leading researchers in nanotechnology and nanomaterials manufacturers at the UCLA California NanoSystems Institute for this exciting event on controlling environmental and workplace hazards.

This one-day workshop, on Wednesday, October 13, is sponsored by the California Department of Toxic Substance Control and UCLA. Leading scientists will discuss the latest strategies in protecting workers in the research, development and manufacturing of nanomaterials, and define further research and developmental needs relating to occupational safety and health.

Nanotechnology is an expanding field that has the potential to create many new materials and products with a huge range of applications. It is already being used in cell phones, stain-resistant clothes, cosmetics, disease detection and in medicine. Business projections suggest that nanotechnology could be a \$1 trillion industry in the US by 2015.

Registration for the conference and webcast is required.

<http://events.cnsi.ucla.edu/nano6/pages/>

The program presenters are leaders in university research, manufacturing and industry. They include:

WHO: Maziar Movassaghi, Acting Director, California Department of Toxic Substance Control
Andre Nel, M.D., Ph.D., Chief, Division of NanoMedicine, California NanoSystems Institute;
Director, UC Center for Environmental Implications of Nanotechnology
Mark Methner, Ph.D., CIH, Team Leader NIOSH Nanotechnology Field Research Team
Hilary Godwin, Ph.D. Professor, UCLA School of Public Health - Environmental Health Sciences;
Education Director, UC Center for Environmental Implications of Nanotechnology

WHEN: Wednesday, October 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

WHERE: UCLA California Nano Systems Institute.
570 Westwood Plaza, Building 114. Los Angeles CA 90095.
Parking available on the UCLA campus \$10.

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The Mission of the Department of Toxic Substances Control is to provide the highest level of safety, and to protect public health and the environment from toxic harm.